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***Information Disclosure Statement***

1. The information disclosure statement filed 13 July 2004 has been considered and is attached. No change is deemed necessary for the rejection or allowance of this case.

***Appeal***

2. This case has been forwarded back to the Board of Appeals.

***Conclusion***

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Steve Blau whose telephone number is (571) 272-4406. The examiner is available Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.. If the examiner is unavailable you can contact his supervisor Greg Vidovich whose telephone number is (571) 272-4415. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0858. (TC 3700 Official Fax 703-872-9306)

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